

Minutes of the Public Works Committee - January 30, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Chair Manke. Supervisor Nilson led the committee in the "Pledge of Allegiance."

Present: Chair Richard Manke, County Board Supervisors James Behrend (arrived at 8:40 a.m.), Hank Carlson, Karl Nilson, Rodell Singert, David Swan; **Absent:** Genia Bruce

Staff Present: Legislative Policy Advisor Mark Mader, Legis. Associate Sandra Meisenheimer

Also Present: Public Works Director Rich Bolte, Business Mgr. Betsy Crosswaite, Building Projects Mgr. Dennis Cerreta, Engineering Services Supervisor Gary Evans, Senior Civil Engineers Paul Barthel and Kevin Yanney, Building Operations Mgr. Mark Keckeisen, County Board Supervisors Duane Paulson and Kathleen Cummings

Public Comment

Supervisor Paulson thanked the committee for the opportunity to speak. He stated this area of the county is his district, which includes Moor Downs Golf Course, the jail, airport, new dispatch center and the old courthouses. On any given day half of his constituents could be in disagreement with him. Paulson went on the tour of the firing range in Franklin yesterday with his specific interest being what gunshots would sound like in the surrounding neighborhood. Two things that alarmed him was the sound of the exhaust system outside which was like a jet overhead. He also could smell burnt powder when he walked past the exhaust pump fan. He asked the committee not to support a shooting range in this location because he is concerned with noise pollution and air pollution in the community.

Singert stated this committee can allow for the bidding process to include the alternate to find out what the actual cost of the proposal is. Manke said the costs should be in the proposal when the bids come back. Swan stated if he had a choice as to where it would be he would prefer it out near WCTC especially after looking at the layout. This is just preliminary and a lot of pieces have to fall into the puzzle. He does not believe two firing ranges are needed within two miles. Nilson stated the noise and the smell are technical problems that could and should be addressed if this moves forward.

Consider Proposed Ordinance: 157 - O-112 Waukesha Water Utility Easement - Waukesha County Courthouse

Bolte and Cerreta were present to explain the ordinance, which grants an easement for Waukesha Water Utility so they can relocate their water line around the Justice Complex.

Motion: Carlson moved, second by Swan, to approve Proposed Ordinance 157 - O-112. Cerreta reviewed the map of the area which shows the easement area to be vacated. Behrend stated this water line is part of their system that serves the whole neighborhood so if they need to get in here, the easement allows them to do so. Singert said if they were to move the northeast line and have easements to Buena Vista Ave., would that be a better solution than going around where it is drawn now? Carlson said on the drawing the easement goes behind the Administration Center. If you break it off on the southeast corner and come in off of Buena Vista, you wouldn't be saving anything. It still has to go behind the Administration Building. **Motion carried 5 - 1; Singert voting no.**

Consider Proposed Ordinance: 157 -O-111 Laying Out, Relocation and Improvement of CTH "J", Waukesha County Project 9901, Project I.D. 2748 -01-71, CTH "J"/STH 164, Rockwood Drive to STH 190, City of Pewaukee and Village of Pewaukee, Waukesha County

Bohte, Evans and Yanney were present. **Motion:** Behrend moved, second by Carlson, to approve Proposed Ordinance 157 -O-111. Evan explained the ordinance which is a change to the right of way plat for the Highway J project between Rockwood Drive and Capital Drive. He stated the change in the plat is mainly due to the fact that the City of Pewaukee requested that a bike path be constructed along the roadway. It is in the SEWRPC jurisdictional plan for bike paths within the county. Additional right-of-way acquisition costs for the bike path are estimated at \$200,000. **Motion carried 5 -1; Singert voting no.**

Consider Proposed Ordinance: 157 -O-110 Appropriate Funds to the Department of Public Works, Highway Operations Fund 2003 Budget

Bohte and Crosswait were present. Crosswait explained the ordinance which will appropriate \$25,000 in the Public Works State/County highway maintenance operations 2003 budget to provide for the purchase of a solar portable message sign board to be used for traffic control operations in Waukesha County. Nilson asked what is the life expectancy? Bolte said probably a good five years and maybe more. On-going operating costs and storage costs are expected to be minimal and are also State reimbursed when costs are incurred. Nilson said anything we can do to help the workers on the highway is a good idea.

Motion: Behrend moved, second by Singert, to approve Proposed Ordinance 157 -O-110. **Motion carried 6 -0.**

Consider Proposed Ordinance: 157 -O-098 Parking Regulation -CTH "Y"

Bohte and Barthel were present. **Motion:** Behrend moved, second by Carlson, to approve Proposed Ordinance 157 -O-098. Barthel stated they were approached by the City of Muskego and alerted to the problem that exists at Parker Drive and Racine Ave. There currently is a parking ordinance in place in front of the high school. Photos of the area were distributed and Barthel explained the site distance problem. He stated the recommendation is to extend the "no parking" zone to 500 feet south of Parker Drive which would eliminate the problem.

Nilson said if we pass this, you will be back for Henneberry Drive. There's a problem because the school board is charging the kids \$100 to park in the school parking lot. Barthel said there have been accidents at Parker/Racine. Behrend said he will support the ordinance because our roads are not designed as parking lots. Maybe we should consider a general ordinance that will apply countywide. Barthel said his concern is the curve which ends 500 feet south of Parker Drive. When you get down to Henneberry there is a straight rotation and you don't lose the cars as you do at Parker where the curve is. Barthel said this really is a safety issue. Bolte suggested giving up on the parking and rather concentrate on an ordinance that provides site distance at Parker Drive for whomever is parking there. Singert said he has been to the area in question and temporary "no parking" signs have been put up. Who authorized them? He stated he agrees with the department as to the site distance north of Parker Drive to the first driveway, which would clear the site distance. Singert also feels it is a school board problem to identify and illustrate to the school population and administration that parking should not be on the highway. Nilson said he would agree to send this back to address site distances.

Motion: Behrend moved, second by Carlson, to take Proposed Ordinance 157 -O-098 off the table.
Motion carried 4 -2; Nilson and Singert voting no.

Motion: Nilson moved, second by Singert, to take Proposed Ordinance 157 -O-098 and forward back to Administration with the intent of fixing the safety items.

Swan asked Bolt to comment on Behrend's idea of a countywide ordinance. Bolt said he would frown on that idea just because of all of the different circumstances that have been brought up today. Singert said he still would like to add that this is a temporary situation and temporary signs are appropriate. Barthels said the temporary signs were placed there by the police and are basically in front of a couple of driveways that were getting parked in. **Motion carried 6 -0.**

Update on the Mass Transit Contract Procurement

Bolt stated the competitive process to look at mass transit contracts was completed, and the City of Waukesha was determined to be the most responsive party in the process. The Finance Committee will be reviewing the process next week. Bolt thanked Behrend for serving on the RFP Committee. Behrend said both proposers really worked hard to get the job. Both were rated high but in the end the price did the talking.

Tour of Ground Floor/Basement Remodeled Areas of Courthouse, Administration Center and Justice Center

Bolt reviewed the construction projects in progress. The committee went on a tour of the aforementioned areas and returned to the committee room at 11:25 a.m. to finish the remainder of the business meeting.

Read Correspondence

1. Nilson asked about the correspondence pertaining to as best as that County Board Supervisors received. Mader will review the correspondence and then confer with Chief of Staff Esler.
Manke referred to the following items:
2. List of correspondence that the Executive Committee reviewed at their last meeting on 1/20/03.
3. Countywide Trunked Radio System Update of January, 2003.
4. Letter from Village of Hartland Chief of Police Robert Rosch asking for Manke's support of the proposed indoor police shooting range.
5. Letter from Attorney K. Gutenkunst to Dick Mace of Parks & Land Use Department requesting copies of any studies completed by the county regarding the alignment of the extension of CTH "KE" which will impact the clients Gregory and Barbara Good.
6. Professional Service Contract Procurement Process Checklist for the award of the Mass Transit Contract to the City of Waukesha.
7. Request from Public Works Department to transfer \$37,000 from Operating Expenses to Personnel Expenses.
8. Singert said he has requested a schedule for the use of the proposed firing range, how 152 officers would be scheduled throughout the year, what are the voids of time, and how would other departments use the facility to make a better use of it whether it is here or elsewhere.

VerbalReportfromExecutiveCommitteeMember

Manke stated that the Airport/Expostudy is on the next Executive Committee agenda for 2/3/03. Manke also reviewed items that were taken up at the meeting of 1/20/03.

Approve Minutes of January 16, 2003

Motion: Nilson moved, second by Carlson, to approve the minutes of 1/16/03. **Motion carried 6 -0.**

Meeting Approvals

Motion: Nilson moved, second by Swan, to approve the trip to Franklin, Wisconsin to go on a tour of the firing range at the training academy. **Motion carried 6 -0.**

Motion to adjourn: Swan moved, second by Behrend, to adjourn the meeting at 11:42 a.m. Motion carried 6 -0.

Respectfully submitted,

Genia C. Bruce
Secretary

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